

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Appl. No. 10/520,495**  
**Applicant(s): COSTA, Fulvio et al.**  
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Title: **SOL-GEL PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF VITREOUS FILMS  
POSSESSING HIGH ADHESION PROPERTIES AND STABLE  
COLLOIDAL SOLUTIONS**

Docket No.: 033965.005  
Customer No.: 25461

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action of December 3, 2008, regarding the above-referenced matter, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.